

Just transitions from mining and fossil fuels to a green economy in Kazakhstan

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Issue-based Coalition on Environment and Climate Change for Europe and Central Asia

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Programme

13:00–13:10	<p>Welcome and setting the scene</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nick Bonvoisin, UNECE, core team of the Issue-based Coalition (2 minutes) • Michaela Friberg-Storey, Resident Coordinator, Kazakhstan (5 minutes)
13:10–13:30	<p>Just transition in Ekibastuz, Kazakhstan, and broader challenges related to coal phase-out in Kazakhstan, * by Sergey Vassilyev, PAGE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation (10 minutes) • Questions and answers (10 minutes)
13:30–13:50	<p>Green Industry Transformation in Kazakhstan: an example from the Pavlodar Region, by Abu Saieed, UNIDO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation (10 minutes) • Questions and answers (10 minutes)
13:50–14:10	<p>Closing coal-fired powerplants in Spain: tripartite agreements for a just transition, by Cristina Martinez, ILO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation (10 minutes) • Questions and answers (10 minutes)
14:10–14:30	<p>Transformation of coal-mining areas and communities – what worked, what did not, and how the issue can be effectively tackled in the future, by Michal Drabik, UNECE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation (10 minutes) • Questions and answers (10 minutes)
14:30–14:50	<p>Human rights perspectives on just transition, by Ana Paula Souza, OHCHR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation (10 minutes) • Questions and answers (10 minutes)
14:50–15:00	<p>Conclusions and next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michaela Friberg-Storey, Resident Coordinator, Kazakhstan (5 minutes) • Nick Bonvoisin, UNECE, core team of the Issue-based Coalition (2 minutes)

Background

The Resident Coordinator's Office (RCO) in Kazakhstan has asked the United Nations Inter-Agency Issue-Based Coalition (IBC) on Environment and Climate Change for Europe and Central Asia for targeted guidance on supporting a just transition from mining and fossil fuels to a green economy.

RCO is interested in good practices from programme countries in greening industries and creating new sustainable sectors to generate inclusive and decent employment opportunities, for example, in cities dominated by a single polluting industry. What role can the UN play in the just, green transition, in terms of conceptualization, policy advice, programming, partnerships and advocacy?

Representatives of ILO, OHCHR, UNECE, UNIDO and PAGE have kindly offered their time to deliver this webinar within the framework of the Coalition. The webinar will be recorded and made available to other UNCTs.

The IBC was established in March 2020 and comprises 17 members from the UN family: FAO, ILO, IOM, OHCHR, UN Habitat, UN Women, UNDP, UNDRR, UNECE, UNEP, UNESCO, UNFCCC, UNICEF, UNOPS, WFP, WHO and WMO.

* Title to be confirmed.